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Col. Alain De La Rocque, head of the "Croix Du Feu" movement, allied with France's Fascist movement, was ready to step in and take control on the fall of the Flaminio Government. De La Rocque favours the dissolution of all parties.

ABYSSINIA'S CRY FOR ARMS REITERATED

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Requirements

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"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

London, To-day.
The Emperor of Abyssinia in an interview with a representative of the *Sunday Times*, declared that during the last few weeks attempts to place orders for munitions in France, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, and Denmark had proved fruitless. In certain cases deliveries already paid for had been stopped at the ports of departure. For instance, the Belgian Government informed the Abyssinian Government that it did not want to suffer reproach at having participated in the equipment of Abyssinia for war.

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Possibilities Of
Mobilisation

FIGHT TO LAST MAN

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.
The Abyssinian War Minister, Ras Mulngeta, when interviewed by a special correspondent of *Le Matin*, stated: "At present Abyssinia has about 350,000 soldiers under the colours, but in a fortnight to one month's time we can

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FINNS WIN INTERNATIONAL
ATHLETIC CONTEST

Glasgow, To-day.—In an international athletics contest here yesterday, Finland beat Britain by 78 points to 70.—Reuter.

British Planes To Start Air Industry In Spain

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Madrid, To-day.
A sum of 13,000,000 pesetas has been placed at the disposal of the Spanish military aviation authorities for the purchase of 50 fighting planes of the English "Hawk" Super-Fury type, which is considered the most efficient. The first three machines will be supplied for training Spanish pilots, while in the course of the next 3 1/2 years the remaining machines will be constructed in Spain itself and will be fitted

SOVIET CAREFUL TO AVOID CLASHES MANCHURIAN GUNBOATS ON RIVER AMUR

LITVINOFF'S SHARP PROTEST

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Moscow, To-day.

Grave incidents have been occurring on the Soviet Manchurian frontier near Pogranitsnaya in the last few days, it is now officially announced here. On June 23, for instance, 40 Japanese soldiers commanded by two officers crossed the frontier and penetrated several miles into Russian territory. Again on June 26 another group, consisting of 40 infantry and 60 cavalry belonging to the third battalion of the 63th Japanese regiment, crossed into Soviet territory, remaining there several hours.

The Soviet frontier guards observed the actions and movements of the Japanese soldiers but were ordered to remain passive to avoid causing further complications.

Subsequently two further incidents were reported: when Manchurian river gunboats entered the Soviet waters of the River Amur.

FINANCIAL SENSATION IN SHANGHAI

A.O.B. President Under
Surveillance

RETURN OF HONORARIUM OF
TAELS 135,000 DEMANDED
BY LIQUIDATOR

Shanghai, To-day.
Shanghai has been provided with the biggest week-end sensation for many years with the issue of a writ of complaint by Mr. Hough, the liquidator of the American Oriental Banking Co., demanding the instant return of the honorarium of Taels 135,000 given to the President of the concern, Mr. F. J. Raven, in 1932, when the Bank was allegedly insolvent.

Mr. Raven has been prevented from leaving the jurisdiction of the United States Court in China by a writ of *ne exeat*, which requires him to post a bond of U.S. \$20,000 by 5 p.m. to-day. Meanwhile the Deputy U.S. Marshal, (Continued on Page 12)

WEATHER FORECAST

Showery weather, with bright intervals, and moderate south and south-east winds, was the weather forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

It was semi-officially announced on Saturday night that M. Litvinoff had sent a note to the Japanese Government protesting in the sharpest terms against the reported frontier violation at Pogranitsnaya, demanding:

(1) That steps be taken to prevent any further cause for complaint.

(2) That those Japanese soldiers and officers who penetrated into Russian territory be severely punished.

Moreover, M. Litvinoff intimated that the Japanese note received here recently about the frontier incident on May 22 was unsatisfactory, and the Russian Government demanded further explanations.—Trans-Ocean Service.

DUEL IN PARIS

President Of City
Council Involved

CHIEF OF COURT ACCOUNTS
WOUNDED BY THIRD SHOT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

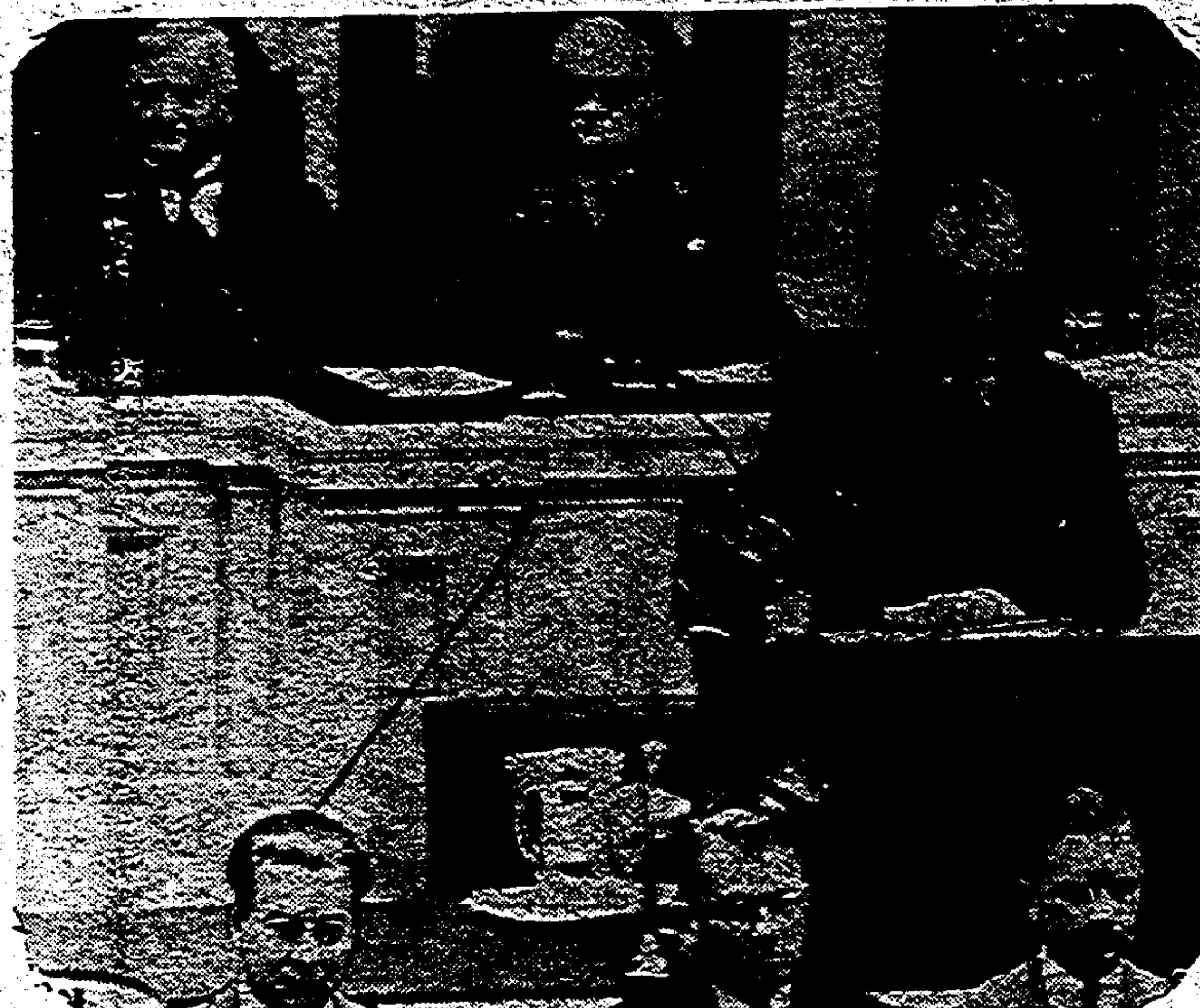
Paris, To-day.
The newly elected president of the city council, M. Jean Chiappe, fought a duel by pistols on Saturday with the chief of the Court accounts, M. Pierre Godin, who had insulted him publicly in an open letter, whereupon M. Chiappe challenged M. Godin.

The first two shots went wide, but the third slightly wounded M. Godin. The opponents were thereupon separated, but they were not reconciled.—Trans-Ocean Service.

GOLDEN JUBILEE

Rev. Mother Martinaoia
To Be Honoured

Reverend Mother Teresa Martinaoia will celebrate her Golden Jubilee on Wednesday, and in commemoration of the occasion students, both English and Chinese, from the Italian Convent will provide a special entertainment on that day. In the afternoon a concert will be held at 3.30, when many prominent members of the Roman Catholic clergy and friends are expected to be present. All institutions are invited to attend High Mass at 8.30 on Thursday.



President Roosevelt delivers his message to the joint session of Congress, vetoing the Patman Bonus Bill. It marked the first time in history that a President had personally delivered a veto message. Vice-President Garner and Speaker Byrnes are shown in the rear.

ROOSEVELT'S POWER TESTED

UNNECESSARY UTILITY COMPANIES

HOUSE TO VOTE ON THE "DEATH SENTENCE"

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt's control over Congress faces a crucial test in the House of Representatives to-day, when the House will be asked to vote the President's requested "death sentence" on unnecessary public utility holding companies, namely, power, lighting, transport, etc.

With the administration on the one hand and the powerful influence of the utility companies in the lobbies on the other hand, the session promises to be very lively.

The House will meet at 3 p.m. G.M.T. and for the first time this session will have to choose between the Inter-State Commerce Commission's proposal to the Securities Commission authority to rule out holding companies and the Senate proviso outlawing such companies by 1924. When this is settled the House is expected to pass the measure to-morrow.

Speaker Byrnes predicts an adjournment early in August, but many regard this as very optimistic.—Reuter.

MACAO STEAMER'S MISHAP

Stuck 20 Minutes On Mud Bank

The s.s. Kin Shan, when sailing from Macao last evening, stuck on a mud bank just off Macao at 4.50 p.m. She got off successfully under her own power at 5.10 p.m., and arrived in Hong Kong half an hour late on schedule. No damage was done, and the vessel was able to leave on her regular routine sailing for Macao this morning.

SWISS PAPER BANNED IN GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.—The sale of the Swiss newspaper *Bender Zeitung* has been forbidden throughout the whole Reich indefinitely, at the order of the Reich Minister for Propaganda.—Trans-Ocean Service.

WANG CHING-WEI ILL

Nanking, To-day.—Mr. Wang Ching-wei, President of the Executive Yuan, is indisposed, and his doctor has advised him to go to Shanghai for treatment.—Reuter.

COAL STRIKE CALLED OFF

U.S. Miners Will Seek New Rates On July 31

CATASTROPHE AVERTED AT ELEVENTH HOUR

Washington, To-day.

The coal strike has been called off.

Mr. John Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers' Association, states that he has agreed with the producers that the miners will continue to operate at the present rates until July 31.—Reuter.

A message sent yesterday stated that half a million mine workers would drop tools last night in the great test strike in America this year. The entire midwest coal-mining area was affected.

Zero hour would be midnight. On the last stroke of twelve night workers would come to the surface and pickets would march to the pitheads to prevent any effort at strike-breaking.

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DANZIG'S LONG BANK HOLIDAY ENDS

Danzig, To-day.—The prolonged bank holiday ended on Saturday, and all the restrictions on ordinary daily business have been removed.—Trans-Ocean Service.

GOEBBELS' OUTBURST

NATIONAL SOCIALISM KEY TO POWER

International Jewry And Bureaucrats Attacked

INTERNAL RECONSTRUCTION BEHIND GERMAN RIFLES

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

Scathing words against the enemies of National Socialism were uttered by Dr. Goebbels here on Saturday in a speech at a mass meeting of over 100,000 members of the National Socialist organizations in the Berlin district at the Tempelhof flying field.

Beginning with a survey of the early years of the movement, the Minister attacked the bureaucrats who to-day want to make themselves spokesmen of the State, pointing out that they "only perform the duties we set them and can be dismissed at any time."

The Minister then sharply criticised international Jewry, which was again seeking to make itself at home in the streets of the German capital and was actually being suppressed in certain circles of well-to-do intellectuals, declaring that "if the Jews try to embarrass us through the medium of the foreign press we answer to-day that we are not taken in by that."

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STATE OF WAR IN BARCELONA AND CATALONIA

Deluge Of Criminality And Barbarity

REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT DENIED IN MADRID

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Madrid, To-day.

In accordance with the decision reached on Saturday midday by the Spanish Cabinet, Barcelona and the province of Catalonia have been declared to be under a state of war. The official declaration states that this measure has been taken solely to combat the "deluge of criminality and barbarity" over which the population has become so agitated. The step has the unqualified approval of the Nationalist press of Spain.

The population of Barcelona is somewhat surprised at the sudden decision, because, owing to the suppression of the news of atrocities by the local censor, the public had not realised that the disturbances were so numerous or serious.

The Madrid newspapers deny that there is any "crack" in the rumours that a new revolutionary movement has started in Catalonia. This is confirmed by the Government's declarations.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MOLLER LINE LINES

Shanghai, To-day.—Mr. E. Moller has announced that the Moller Line business has been transferred to the Moller Line Ltd., a company limited by guarantee, to be known as the Moller Line Ltd. The Moller Line Ltd. is a company limited by guarantee, to be known as the Moller Line Ltd. The Moller Line Ltd. is a company limited by guarantee, to be known as the Moller Line Ltd.

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Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
MAINLAND	
Taimoshan	2,124 Feet
Kowloon Peak	1,971

Amusements

Cinema Notes

“TRANS-ATLANTIC MERRY-GO-ROUND” KING'S THEATRE

Sydney Howard the British comedian, makes his first bid for American screen honours in Reliance's “Trans-Atlantic Merry-Go-Round” showing at the King's Theatre to-day. Howard is a member of an all-star cast including Jack Benny, Nancy Carroll, Gene Raymond, Mitzel Green, Sid Silvers, Frank Parker, The Boswell Sisters, Sidney Blackmer, Ralph Morgan and other stage, screen, and radio personalities.

Howard is a “Yorkshire man” born in the old town of Yeadon. He has contributed his services to many amateur theatricals while working for his father, a printer and manufacturer of paper bags. Then one day he noticed an advertisement in a newspaper calling for a “part-time” comedian. He made his professional start in the miniature variety shows then in vogue at seaside resorts. After four years of this he was signed for one of the first revues ever staged in England. He toured with the show for 14 months and was just gaining recognition when the World War broke out. After the Armistice he had to begin all over again.

After four years of touring Great Britain and South Africa as a “single” in vaudeville and as a featured comedian in popular revues, he burst into fame as “Battling Smith” in “Hit the Deck” Then came “Tunny Face” with Fred and Adele Astaire, and other revues.

“MISSISSIPPI” QUEEN'S THEATRE

Although somewhat different to his previous films, Bing Crosby's latest song and dance hit, “Mississippi” which is now being screened at the Queen's Theatre, is likely to prove an even greater success.

Bing has ample opportunity to use his voice, his rendition of the age-old negro spiritual, Swannee River, being especially attractive.

The scene is laid on one of the river steamers so common on the Mississippi. Bing takes the part of a care-free young man who lost the girl he loved by being a coward, and he nearly loses his second girl by being too brave.

Included in the mammoth cast is W. C. Fields, one of the stars of the old silent days, who has returned to the screen to become an even bigger name than he was before. Others are Joan Bennett, Queenie Smith, John Miljan, Gail Patrick and the Cabin Kids.

“STOLEN HARMONY” ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Cast in the leading role of “Stolen Harmony,” his new Paramount picture, George Raft again turns to the type of characterisation that made him a star in “Scarface.”

Starred with Ben Bernie and his band, Raft plays the part of an ex-convict who turns over a new leaf for a chance to join Bernie's band for a trans-continental tour. He falls in love with Grace Bradley, the little dancer in Bernie's troupe, and for her sake determines to make good. But when the company's funds are stolen he is suspected of the theft.

When the entire troupe is captured by a band of desperate outlaws, Raft comes to their rescue and by pretending to be one of them, saves the band at the risk of his own life.

“HAVE A HEART” MAJESTIC THEATRE

James Dunn and Jean Parker are teamed together for the first time in this delightful little local story “Have a Heart” and so successful are they that we are likely to see more of this partnership in the future.

Dunn takes the role of a young man selling “Have a Heart” ice-cream and in “the role is something similar to the one which brought him to the threshold of stardom four years ago when he played opposite Sally Eilers in “Red Girl.”

As in the modern, custom story was written especially for him and Miss Parker, who, as the object of his affections, gives a creditable performance.

HOW TO MAKE A MUSSOLINI

Man With A Little Extra Iron

WHAT GOES TO COMPOSE A HUMAN BODY

Mr. C. E. M. Joad, the scientist, stated recently that he agreed with Dr. T. E. Lawson, the eminent physician, that the prescription for “one man” was:

Enough water to fill a 10-gallon barrel;
Enough fat for seven bars of soap;

Carbon for 9,000 lead pencils;
Phosphorous for 2,200 match-heads;
Iron for one medium-sized nail;

Lime enough to whitewash a chicken coop, and
Small quantities of magnesium and sulphur.

Mr. Joad was delivering the Haldane Memorial Lecture on Science and Human Freedom at the Birkbeck College of the University of London. He added:

“Take these ingredients, combine them in the right proportions in the right way, and the result, apparently, is a man.”

“The proportions may vary slightly. For example, if you increase the amount of iron, you may get a Mussolini. A larger proportion of soft soap produces—I will leave you to supply the answer.”

Mr. Joad said this prescription applied to the body, but he had only to go to the biologists and geneticists for information as to genus, species and race, and to the psychologists for a statement in terms of inherited disposition, temperament, mental structure and complexes in the unconscious mind. Character could be brought within the bounds of the formula.

GARBO ATTEMPTS TO STEAL AWAY

Cameramen Penetrate Disguise

Hollywood.
Greta Garbo left Hollywood recently for New York on route for Sweden, to spend a five months' holiday.

Her departure was planned as a secret. She dressed herself in old clothes to avoid recognition.

But someone must have recognised the shabbily dressed figure huddled into the train dozens of cameramen “shot” her.

“DAVID COPPERFIELD” ORIENTAL THEATRE

Charles Dickens' immortal classic comes to the Oriental Theatre to-day with the mammoth cast essential to do it justice. This is one of the greatest confederations for the title of “The best picture of 1935.”

No fewer than 65 stars and featured players are included in the cast. Among the stars are W. C. Fields, Lion Barrymore, Madge Evans, Maureen O'Sullivan, Edna May Oliver, Lewis Stone, Frank Lawton, Freddie Bartholomew, Elizabeth Allan, Roland Young, Basil Rathbone, Hugh Williams and Herbert Mundin.

It is one of the few pictures on record in which the writer of the adaptation, himself one of the leading novelists of contemporary literature, plays one of the roles; the novelist is Hugh Walpole, the eminent writer and authority on Dickens.

“THE GIRL FROM MAXIMS” STAR THEATRE

Leslie Henson, one of London's best known light comedians, remembered here by his performance in “It's A Boy,” makes his third appearance in “The Girl From Maxims,” which is now showing at the Star Theatre.

Besides Henson's inimitable type of humour, the film has magnificent dance ensembles and several very catchy tunes.

BRIDGE NOTES

Cue Bid In Partner's Suits

By Ely Colverton

One of the chief beauties of Contract Bridge is that new situations continually crop up and intelligent and alert players are very frequently able to invent new and interesting bids. We have all heard of the Overcall in the opponents' bid suit which shows first round control of this suit through the possession either of the Ace or of a void. It is very rarely, however, that one can cue bid in one of partner's suits.

The opportunity to do this presents itself only when two definite situations exist. First, the partnership must have previously decided on some other suit. Second, there must be a double of the second suit by one of the opponents, so that when the partner of the player who has bid the second suit decides to make his cue bid in it, the original bidder will not misconstrue this cue bid as a simple raise, showing perhaps a desire to play the hand in that suit.

Using this bid, North and South on to-day's hand reached an easily makeable Small Slam contract despite the fact that their task was made difficult for them by a very sound nuisance double on the part of one of the opponents.

North, Dealer.
North and South vulnerable.

NORTH:
S—K 9 4
H—A K J 7 5 4 3
D—K 4
C—A

SOUTH:
S—5
H—10 9 6
D—A 6 3 2
C—Q J 9 4 3

WEST:
S—A Q 10 5
H—Q 8 2
D—J 5
C—10 7 6 5

EAST:
S—J 7 6 3 2
H—
D—Q 10 9 8 7
C—K 8 2

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

North	East	South	West
1H	Pass	2H(1)	Pass
4D(2)	DBL(3)	Pass	Pass
4H(4)	Pass	5D(5)	Pass
6H(6)	Pass	Pass	Pass

1—A prepared bid. Strictly speaking, South has not the adequate trump support needed to raise his partner's suit. However, South decides that if he bid two clubs—his only alternative—he would be definitely used by any subsequent bids his partner might make. For instance, if over two clubs North bid two notrump, South would not feel strong enough to bid three hearts, which would be an inferential force; but on the other hand he certainly would not wish to pass. Having decided that there is only one bid in the South hand (unless North starts forcing), South decides to make this bid, the one which seems to give the most important information.

2—North is too strong to bid four hearts, which would automatically close the auction. Since three diamonds East chose a low spade as his opening lead against the Slam, West won with the Ace and returned a diamond, which the Declarer won with Dummy's Ace. Declarer now led a heart to his Ace and then re-entered the Dummy by ruffing a low spade. The marked heart finesse was now taken and North was able to claim the rest of the tricks.

Even without the spade opening, which admittedly made things easier, North could not have lost his contract.

\$20,000 CONTRACT FOR FILM ARTIST

Betty Davis Signs For Three Years

Miss Betty Davis, the English actress, recently signed a three-year contract with the City Film Corporation for \$20,000.

Miss Davis was born in London, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davies, both connected with the theatrical and film industry.

She has appeared on the stage in several musical shows, and began in a C. B. Cochran revue chorus.

Her first part under the new contract will be in “Sharps and Flats,” to be filmed at Ealing Studios, in which she will appear with Stanley Holloway. Miss Davis is 23.

would be an inferential force, four diamonds must be recognised as a Slam try. The two-card minor suit is the only sound force available to North. He knows that if his partner raises diamonds he can always return to hearts.

A very fine nuisance double, East, of course, recognises that North's force is in a fake suit. He doubles to inhibit the opponents from reaching of Slam, which he feels fairly certain they can make.

North has shown the strength of his hand and expressed his interest in a Slam by the four-diamond bid. He now can do no more than return to four hearts.

South, despite his weak trump holding, has definitely a little bit more than a minimum raise to two hearts. He realises that his partner was trying for a Slam and he further realises that the latter probably was considerably discouraged by East's double of four diamonds—the diamond suit obviously being one of the weak spots in the North hand. South therefore decides to give his partner one more chance to contract for a Slam. He does this by making a cue bid in his partner's suit, showing control of the first round of that suit—and almost certainly in this case with the Ace.

South bids five diamonds intending to pass to five hearts, as he has now shown the full strength of his hand.

With the practical certainty of no losers in either hearts, diamonds or clubs, North can contract for the Slam. Either the spade Queen in Dummy, a singleton spade, or even a doubleton spade, if the Ace is right, will take care of the situation in that suit. There must be at the worst an even money play for the Slam.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station, Z.B.W., on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.M.)

RELAY FROM DAVENTRY OF TEST MATCH SCORES

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme
12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report
1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra
2.15 p.m.—Close Down
3-5 p.m.—European Programme
5-7 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations

7.30-7.50 p.m.—Orchestral Music
Rings of Athens—Turkish March (Reichman)
Turkish March (Mozart)
Sleeping Beauty—Pavane (Tchaikovsky)
Concert Waltz in A (Glazunov)
Witches Dance (“La Tregenda”) (Puccini)
Valse Triste (Sibelius)

Serenade (Volkmann); Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov)
7.50-7.45 p.m.—“Four Aces” Suite (Billy Mayer) played by Raine de Costa
7.45-7.50 p.m.—Two Songs from “Blossom Time” sung by Richard Tauber (Tenor)
1. Love lost forever more
2. Once there lived a Lady Fair

7.50-8 p.m.—From the Studio
“A Cinema Review” by Silhouette
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report
8.05-11 p.m.—A Relay from the Lee Theatre (Chinese).
11 p.m.—Close Down.

8.30-10 p.m.—European Recorded Music from Z.B.W. on a frequency of 640 K.C.
8.30-8.40 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.
England v South Africa. A Running Commentary by Captain H.B.T. Wakham on the second day's play in the second Cricket Test Match. Relayed from Lord's Cricket Ground, London.

8.40-9 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music
Dancing down the Ages (arr. Finck)
Potpourri of Waltzes No. 2 (Schubert)
The Haymakers (Traditional)
Triumph (Traditional)
9-9.33 p.m.—Variety.
Piano Solo—
Jill Darling—Selection.
If I love again
Patricia Ransborough

Songs—
Just by your example
Dancing on the Ceiling
Jessie Matthews, (Soprano)
Organ Solo—
Famous Tamber Melodies
Harold Ramsey

Songs—
You and the night and the Music
Leslie Hutchinson
Orchestra—
Fairies in the Moon—Intermezzo
Extricate
An hour with you
Vocal—
It's Written all over your face
The Boswell Sisters

9.33-10 p.m.—Dance Music
10 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins
10.05 p.m.—Close Down.

CLERK WHO ROSE TO THE TOP

Fortune Of Nearly Half A Million

A man who began as junior clerk and rose to be head of the Pearl Assurance Company, left \$445,500, it was announced recently.

He was Mr. George Shrubbs, of Redgate, Reigate, Surrey, who was with the Pearl Assurance Co. for nearly 65 years.

He left 25,000 to the benevolent fund of clerks of the company.

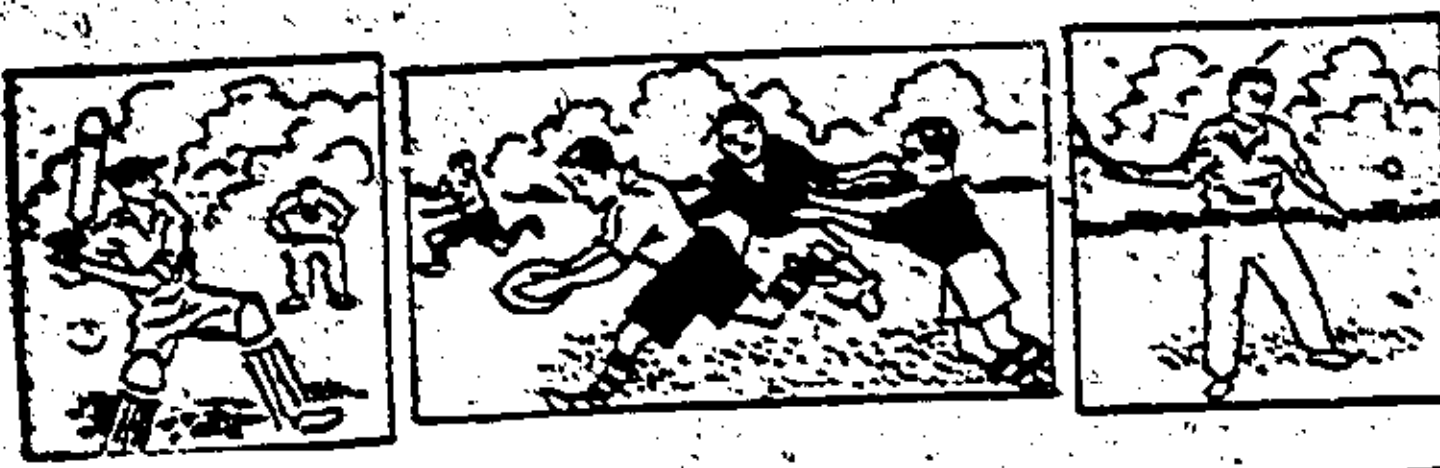
TURKISH PRINCESS GETS DIVORCE

Three Times Married

Reno (Nevada).
Mrs. Emma Holmes, a Turkish princess by birth, and the heiress daughter of the late Turkish diplomat, Ahmed, last Pasha, has won an uncontested divorce here. “Emma,” a former “The Girl From Maxims,” who is a treasure of a vast company, the divorce was granted at a private trial on grounds of incompatibility. The judge permitted her to assume her former name of Mrs. Emma Smith. Mrs. Smith has been married three times.

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THE RISING PLAYERS IN THE LAWN TENNIS FIRMAMENT

JOHNNY KING'S HOPE OF WORLD MATCH

PANAMA AL BROWN TO BE CHALLENGED

HEAVYWEIGHT CHALLENGE FROM SPAIN

(By B. BENNISON, the Celebrated Boxing Critic)

London, June 4.

JOHNNY KING is the British bantam champion for the second time. Now, it is hoped, a match will be arranged between him and Al Brown, the enormously-travelled Panama negro, for the world's title.

But can it be that King, although as game as he could well be, is the very man for the famous and freakish black? It is true that the world's champion has done little of serious account for some time, and there is a widespread notion that he has gone back. But I think he would need to be a shell of what he was when we last saw him, to lose to King.

I GIVE TO KING EVERY CREDIT FOR WHAT HE HAS ACCOMPLISHED, BUT IN MY OPINION HE IS NOT AN OUTSTANDING CHAMPION.

FAREWELL DINNER TO JACK HOBBS

Lord Cobham To Preside At Gathering

A farewell dinner to Jack Hobbs, at which Lord Cobham, president of the M.C.C., will preside, will be held in London on July 17.

The dinner was suggested by Sir Noel Curtis-Bennett, vice-president of the Civil Service Cricket Association, as a fitting way to recognise the retirement of Hobbs from county cricket. Lord Cobham will be supported by Mr. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, president of the Surrey Cricket Club, Sir Noel Curtis-Bennett and other important figures in the cricket world.

ONLY TWO FINISH MANX CAR RACE

Master Beaten By Pupil

P. G. FAIRFIELD'S WIN

Douglas, May 30. Only two of the 13 starters finished in the Mannin Beg, or small car 201-mile race round the houses, at Douglas to-day. They were:

1. P. G. Fairfield (E.R.A.), 2hrs 59min 54 sec, average speed 67.29 m.p.h.
2. F. W. Dixon (Riley), 3hrs 8min 46 sec, average speed 64.13 m.p.h.

A year ago Fairfield was learner motor-racing from Dixon and acting as spare driver in his Riley team. To-day Dixon, who was believed almost invincible, was completely mastered by his pupil.

Leads All Way

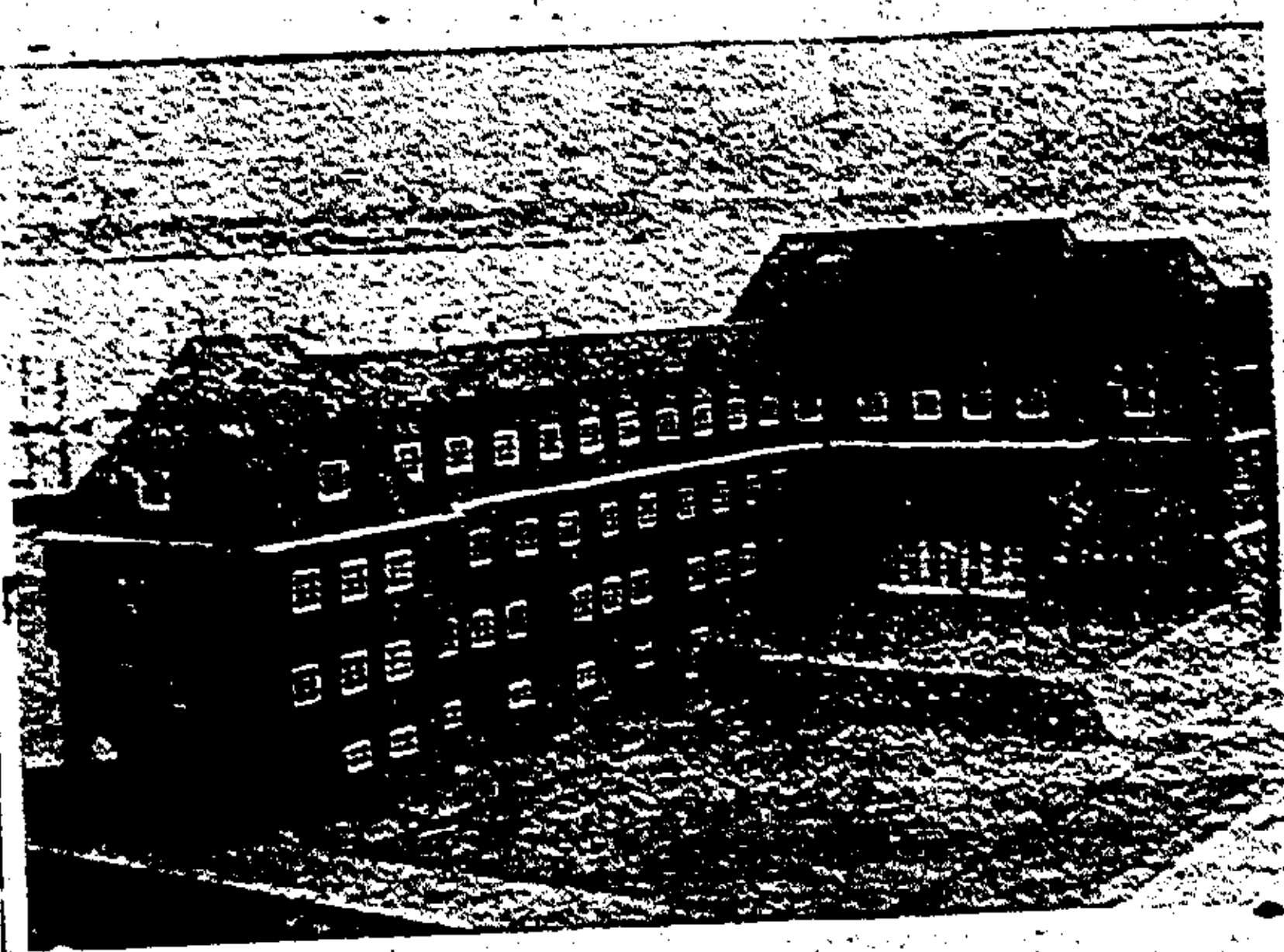
Fairfield led from start to finish, except for one short period. That was when Raymond Mays made a meteoric dash to the front with his E.R.A. Then Mays found hot oil suddenly being spurted into his face, and he had to retire, soaked on oil from waist to feet.

T. K. Humber, the novice of the entrants, had stayed in the race for 30 laps and was third near Dixon. Suddenly, in front of the Grand Stand, his Bugatti blew up in a cloud of blue smoke. A connecting rod had snapped and gone through the crank-case.

First Half Hour

Half the competitors were out in the first hour.

Fairfield toured home two laps ahead of Dixon, with E. R. Hall (Magnette) and W. R. Baird (M.G.) struggling desperately, but in vain, to complete the 50 laps within 15 minutes of Fairfield's crossing the line.



A model of the Kiel Olympic Games home for yachtsmen at the Ninth Olympic Games, to be held at Berlin in 1936. The yachting contest will take place at Kiel. In the background can be seen the Kiel roadstead, where the contests for the boats of the Olympic Monotype class will be decided. The Home will also serve the purposes of sport after the Olympic Games, as a home for persons engaged in touring, especially those touring by water.

HENRY COTTON IN GOLF SENSATION

ENDEAVOUR ESCAPES IN A SQUALL

DAMAGED WHEN ANCHOR DRAGS

BLOWN ACROSS BOWS OF SCHOONER

By Major B. HECKSTALL-SMITH

Southend, June 5. Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith's America's Cup Yacht, Endeavour, had a narrow escape from serious damage here this morning.

A sudden heavy squall sprang up, the wind for a short time blowing at over 40 m.p.h., with violent rain.

Endeavour, lying off the pier-head in readiness for to-morrow's race, dragged her anchor and was blown across the bows of the three-masted American schooner Atlantic.

Low Tide

The bowsprit of the schooner made a hole in the mainsail of Mr. Sopwith's yacht. Fortunately it was low tide at the time, with the tidal stream slack, and the damage was not serious. Endeavour has a spare mainsail.

Local racing this morning was abandoned, but the weather was fine in the afternoon, and prospects are good for the race to-morrow in which the American yacht, Yankee, makes her first appearance against the big English yachts.

This afternoon, about four o'clock, Yankee went for a trial spin to stretch her centre.

SOLITAIRE TENNIS

Harvard Man's Latest Invention

Cambridge, Mass., June 19.

Solitaire tennis has been invented by George Kendall, Harvard graduate. At Jarvis Field he is demonstrating a one-man court, designed so a player can practise alone without too much chasing around after balls. An intricate system of nets, wavy floors and troughs insures their return to the player. The Harvard tennis team will adopt the idea for practice.—United Press.

ARRIVES LATE WITH PARTNER FOR TOURNEY

MISINFORMED OF STARTING TIME

YORKSHIRE EVENING NEWS \$750 PRO. MATCH

Leeds, June 4.

There was a sensation on the Sandmoor course here to-day, when the first qualifying round of the "Yorkshire Evening News" \$750 professional golf tournament was begun. When Henry Cotton and his partner, Syd Wingate, were called upon to drive off at 9.45 there was no sign of the British champion.

After the next couple had been despatched Mr. E. Robertson, the organiser of the tournament, stated that Cotton still had some minutes grace. The starting times had been slightly altered, he added, and Cotton might have been ignorant of that fact. Cotton's original time was 9.55.

Cotton had not appeared when the time of grace had expired, and there was considerable bewilderment among the spectators, who had attended in hundreds to see the champion. When the excitement was at its height Cotton arrived in his big red car.

"Here I Am"

"What is this all about," said Cotton, as an agitated member of the committee ran up to him. "You are late," said the official. "Am I?" replied Cotton. "I was told yesterday by the organisers that my starting time was 10.30, and here I am!"

Cotton then went into the club house to prepare for the round, with his partner, Wingate, still waiting on the first tee.

The early starters, most of whom decided to have breakfast after their round, drove off in heavy rain.

A further 18 holes will be played to-morrow to qualify 32 players for the match-play stages.

Miss Poppy Wingate, one of the few women professional golfers in the country, was in the field, as well as Angel de la Torre, of Spain, and all the leading British professionals.

OPEN RINKS GAME

The last game in the Second Round of the Open Lawn Bowls Rink competition was played yesterday at the Rowloon Docks, when M. J. Henderson's rink (J. L. Tetley, W. E. Hale and D. Water-

ton) defeated a rink from the Hong Kong Electric composed of A. P. Fairbank (skip), A. F. Paul, K. Sloan and R. C. Butler by 17 shots to 13.

MARY HARDWICKE COMES TO THE FORE

THE CRITICAL STAGE OF EARLY FAME

AND THE RESULTANT JOLT!

(By H. W. Austin)

THE lawn tennis firmament is kept perpetually bright by the constant arrival of new stars. Every year one or more come to light to renew and increase our interest. The game is ever fresh and vigorous, for it is a young man's game and cannot for long be dominated by any one set of players.

The old favourites gradually retire, though momentarily we may regret their passing, we are fickle in our affections and soon they are forgotten in the rush of enthusiasm for some dazzling new star.

THIS YEAR HAS ALREADY BROUGHT TO OUR NOTICE ONE NEW STAR, MARY HARDWICKE, WHO EARLIER IN THE YEAR BRILLIANTLY WON THE COVERED COURT TOURNAMENT AT QUEEN'S. TO THOSE IN THE GAME, MISS HARDWICKE WAS NO UNKNOWN PLAYER. FOR SOME YEARS SHE HAS BEEN LOOKED UPON AS ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING OF THE YOUNGER SCHOOL.

But it was not until the Queen's tournament that she did anything sufficiently outstanding for the critics to recognise her and proclaim her to the world. And then, as usual when a new star is introduced to the public, enthusiasm ran riot. Superlatives got out of control, and Miss Hardwicke was hailed, not only as a future Wimbledon champion, but one who would be greater than Suzanne Lenglen and Helen Wills Moody.

On one day to be obscure and the next to be hailed as potentially greater than the greatest woman player who has ever lived must have been most embarrassing to one of such a modest nature as Mary Hardwicke.

One day you are happily going your way unknown to the world; the next the eyes of a great public are watching your every movement. But it is a transitional stage which comes to everyone who achieves fame at lawn tennis.

A Critical Stage

Its effect varies according to the temperament of the player who is thus thrown into the limelight. Very few pass this stage without a severe jolting.

The great majority require a little time to get used to their new position and settle down, because they are hailed as far greater players than they really are, and too much is expected of them. It takes them some time to become what they are hailed to be, and during that time they are straining to achieve more than their ability will allow.

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THE KING'S MEDAL FOR T. A. CHAMPION SHOT

The King has been pleased to approve the grant of "The King's Medal" to be awarded annually to the champion shot of the Territorial Army.

FAST BOWLER PASSES

The death is announced of William Fletcher, a fast bowler who played as a professional for Yorkshire in the seasons of 1891 and 1892.

F. J. Perry Explains How He Won French Title

(By BRUCE HARRIS)

Paris, June 4.—F. J. Perry can now be congratulated on being not only the first Englishman to win the French lawn tennis championship, but of being the only player, past or present, that has held the Wimbledon, American, Australian and French championships.

SUTCLIFFE'S MOTOR EXPERIENCE

Pulled Up For Speeding By Plain-clothes Policeman

Herbert Sutcliffe was pulled up recently by a speed car for exceeding the 30 m.p.h. limit. Sutcliffe was indignant about the way the police had handled his case, and told Bradford Police Court that he had been stopped by a plain-clothes policeman, who "pulled off a rather dirty cap and substituted a police helmet."

The chairman of the Bench, agreeing with Sutcliffe, said, "I think our men have no right to go pulling people up while in private clothes. I do not think it is English." Case was dismissed.

BRITAIN'S BID FOR WORLD SPEED MARKS

24-HOUR DRIVE ON UTAH SALT BEDS

MR. JOHN COBB SAILING THIS MONTH

(By A. G. THROSSSELL)

London, June 5.

The first of three British expeditions to recapture world speed records this summer is now making final preparations. On June 26 Mr. John Cobb, a London wool-broker, will sail with two co-drivers and a team of helpers on board the Berengaria.

His car, the 500 h.p. Napier-Balston, leaves in the charge of two mechanics to-morrow. Ten thousand gallons of British-made fuel have already been despatched.

For Salsdoro

Their destination is the Salt Bed of Salsdoro, at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, 100 miles from Salt Lake City, Utah. There, on the dry bed of an evaporated salt lake, 4,000 feet above sea-level and in the midst of complete desolation, this huge car with its Napier-Lion aero engine will, it is hoped, attack nearly a score of records now held by France or America.

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ENGLAND MEET HOLLAND IN SOCCER TEST

\$5 BID FOR £1 TICKET!

TERRIFIC EXCITEMENT AROUSED

(By FRANK COLES)

Amsterdam, May 31.

People in England would be astonished if they knew how completely to-morrow's Soccer international, to be played here between England and Holland, has gripped the Dutch.

To-night the match seems to be the sole topic of conversation in this city. Every hotel is crowded with visitors who have come to see the game.

As this is the first time England has sent a representative team to Holland, the intense excitement the fixture has aroused is understandable. The match, which begins at six o'clock to-morrow night, is to be played at the Olympic Stadium, which was built for the 1928 Games.

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V.R.C. SWIMMERS WIN IN CANTON

Lawrence Wins The 400 Metres Exhibition Race

WATER POLO SUCCESS

The Victoria Recreation Club swimmers who went to Canton during the week-end returned last night. The only event which they did not win was the 200 Metres breast-stroke, which was won by Lay Chi San of the Canton Aquatic Sports Club.

All the members were unanimous in the praise for the wonderful reception and the entertainment arranged for them.

Ed. da Roza gave an exhibition of fancy diving, which was greatly applauded, while an exhibition race over 400 metres between L. Roza-Pereira and W. Lawrence, which was narrowly won by the latter, was also greatly appreciated.

In the water polo game the V.R.C. beat the Canton Club by 4 goals to 2. The teams were level at half time, both sides having scored twice.

The results were as follows:—50 Metres Free Style:—(1) W. Lawrence (V.R.C.); (2) Wong San Son (Canton); Time: 28 seconds.
200 Metres Breaststroke:—(1) Lay Chi San (Canton); (2) E. M. Marques; Time: 3 mins. 7 secs.
200 Metres Team Race:—(1) V.R.C. Team: W. Lawrence, J. A. Gutierrez, H. I. Ozzorio, S. V. Girma.
100 Metres Backstroke:—(1) L. Roza Pereira (85 secs.); (2) J. A. Gutierrez; Time: 85 secs.
100 Metres Free Style:—W. Lawrence (V.R.C.); (2) L. Roza Pereira; (3) Wong San Son.
Water Polo:—V.R.C. 4 Canton 2.

MISS PAM BARTON'S

No Further Complications

London, June 4.

Miss Pam Barton, the noted championship golfer, has met with an accident in Ireland while riding near her father's home town in Co. Fermanagh. She was thrown from her horse, which tripped at a hole in the road, and dislocated her elbow. An X-ray examination revealed that there were no further complications.

Miss Barton, who was expected to return from Ireland this week-end, is unlikely to play golf for some time, and will be unable to take part in the match against France on June 22 at Warrington.

Mundy Beats Wilson 3 and 2 To Win Summer Cup

In the final of the Summer Cup played over the Rowloon course yesterday, H. H. Mundy (8) defeated D. C. Wilson (6) by 3 and 2.

The match, which was played over 36 holes, was evenly contested throughout, and with the exception of the first two holes, which were

secured by Mundy, the lead never exceeded one hole until the 33rd, where Mundy became two up.

All square at the ninth, Mundy led by one hole at the end of the morning round. In the afternoon Wilson won the 19th to square the match and in the 20th to lead by one hole.

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(Kowloon Dock R.C. Green)

PLAA BEATS TILDEN IN STRAIGHT SETS

New York, May 30.—Martin Plaa, the French professional, accomplished one of his best achievements in beating William T. Tilden by 6-4, 6-4 in the Mason-Dixon tournament at Virginia Beach. Plaa was far too

Mary Hardwicke Comes To The Fore

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Miss Hardwicke is at present in this unhappy stage. A few months ago she was just a promising player working her way up. Her defeats passed unnoticed. Now she has the burden of a reputation, and her defeats become news.

Graceful Player

Miss Hardwicke is very young. She is slow in developing. Her game will not reach maturity, I am convinced, for some years to come, and both she and we, meanwhile require patience.

But when her game is fully developed not only should it be cause of her grace of movement, but a joy to watch, but also fulfil some of the things that have been written about her.

Miss Hardwicke is not the only new star to be seen this year. Senorita Lizana, of South America, is another newcomer, helping to maintain interest in lawn tennis at an ever-increasing level.

I have not been to South America, nor do I know the type of court on which they play there, but it seems to me that the courts on which Senorita Lizana has been recently playing are too slow to suit her game.

Boldness In Attack

Her game is a fast game. She is steady for Tilden, and made some astonishing returns from Tilden's hard-hit drives.

rely on attack rather than defence. She hits the ball boldly on both wings. She is not afraid to take risks, and seems singularly free from nerves. But so far the speed of her shots has not received its reward.

She has gone on hitting insistently, but the slow courts on which she has been playing have checked and rendered negligible the speed of her strokes, allowing the player with sounder defence and perhaps more guile to get the better of her.

Used to playing practice tennis with men, she has had to adapt herself to playing competitive tennis with women—quite a different proposition. Keen competitive play requires experience; you have to learn to adapt your game to that of the various opponents against whom you play. Senorita Lizana has all the strokes, and she will undoubtedly learn to do them.

This year's lawn tennis season in England and on the Continent will undoubtedly be of enormous benefit to her. And, though I do not see her as a second Suzanne Lenglen or Helen Wills Moody, I think she is capable of giving a great game to the best player in the world.

New Stars From America

With mixed feelings we await the arrival of the two new American stars, Gene Mako and Donald Budge. America has a habit of springing surprises on England. We hear vague rumours of a new player, and the next moment like Tilden in 1920 and Vines in 1932, he arrives. Like cyclones they came, carrying all before them, and leaving nothing but wreckage in their wake. Is Mako or Budge another Vines?

I first met Mako in Hollywood in 1932, a strapping youth like an untamed tiger. I introduced him to my wife. "Is he a film star?" she asked. "No; a tennis player," I replied. "Why haven't I heard of him before?" He must be at least 30," she asked again. "He's 16," I said.

Backhand Better Than Vines'

That is Mako. He is now 19 years old (in American eyes almost a veteran), handsome and tough. Somebody will have learned something at Wimbledon, I am willing to bet, before he is laid low.

But he is not so good, so Fred Perry tells me, as his friend and partner, Donald Budge. Fred, I knew, had played him in California, so I asked him what he was like. "Cut off his head," Fred said, "and he might be Vines. He's as tall; his service is exactly the same; so his smash. His backhand is better. Only his forehand is different; it isn't so good."

That's enough to make you think! If I have to play him anywhere, the only solution will be to do as Fred suggests and cut off his head!

These two players, new blood in the game, are going to be a draw at Wimbledon.

Continental Prodigies

On the continent, too, there are some interesting new players, and one especially (who at the moment is probably quite unknown in England but is fast forcing his way to the front), Caska of Czechoslovakia. The Czechoslovaks themselves think highly of him, and one does not have to watch him for long to be impressed.

He is powerfully built, has a smashing service, and is a fast driver on either wing. He has a cheerful temperament, and if it happens that he is being beaten, he seems highly amused and his smile grows broader as defeat comes nearer. Few players are blessed with such a temperament. It may carry him far.

Lately there is young Destremau, of France. He played a fortnight ago for the International Club of France against great Britain and beat Ted Avery. At present he is only in the promising stage, but one day may do much in helping France regain her lost supremacy. And he is well placed to do so. He has at his disposal the guidance of France's great players, Lacoste, Borotra, Brugnon. He has them to play with and against, and he has also other young players, Roussier, Merlin, and Bernard. I would not be surprised to find in Destremau a champion one day.



MUNDY BEATS WILSON 3 AND 2 TO WIN SUMMER CUP

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the four struggle that followed exchanges were pretty even. At the 27th Mundy again held the advantage by one hole, but lost it at the 28th as the result of a weak approach. Conceding a stroke at the 30th, Wilson lost the hole to become one down, but squared the match at the next hole.

At the 32nd Mundy gained the lead once more and went further ahead at the 33rd where a bad tee shot cost Wilson the hole.

Two up and three to go placed Mundy in a fairly safe position and Wilson had little hope of keeping the match alive when he again "duffed" his tee shot at the 34th. It probably would have made very little difference as the Captain holed a long putt to secure a good three and the match.

BRITAIN'S BID FOR WORLD SPEED MARKS

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Cobb's chief ambition is the 24-hours record. Twenty-eight years ago an Englishman, S. F. Edge, amazed the world by driving for 24 hours round Brooklands at more than 60 miles an hour. Last year D. A. Jenkins, of America, on this same salt bed, doubled that speed. He covered 3,053 miles in a day and night, averaging 127.22 miles an hour.

Cobb's co-drivers will be T. E. Rose-Richards, a London stockbroker, and C. J. P. Dodson, also a racing driver.

Sir M. Campbell's Plan

Sir Malcolm Campbell, speaking at a luncheon in London yesterday, said that his next attempt to break his speed record would be undertaken next month.

"We are now carrying out further tests," said Sir Malcolm. "It is my one ambition to reach 300 miles an hour. I have set myself this task, and I definitely intend to go on until I am lucky enough to do it and then get back."

Sir Malcolm's new speed bid will be made on a salt bed at Salt Lake City, Utah.

A TENNIS STAR VERY MUCH IN THE PUBLIC EYE

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A shot-sighted policy, I think, Borotra's best days have gone, and it is in the hands of youth that the future of French tennis lies.

Defying Time

George Cook, the same age as Borotra, will be trying to stay the hand of Time at the Albert Hall to-night.

"I am taking one of the biggest gambles of my promoting life," is how Jeff Dickson describes it. Meaning, of course, his matching of the young Spaniard, Pancho Villar, with wily old Cook.

Villar has scored 15 knock-outs in a row, and may rocket to success with a single blow. On the other hand, he may misfire like a damp squib, as did Obie Walker when he attempted to flatten Cook.

An interesting situation, but I fancy the veteran's chance. Hitting power is of small use unless one has ability to create openings.

F. J. PERRY EXPLAINS HOW HE WON FRENCH TITLE

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To-day Perry went off to Brussels with Chevalier Paul de Boroman in search of yet another championship—the Belgian.

"The Best Of His Era"

Great praise is bestowed by French critics upon Perry.

"Perry is the best world champion of his time," says *Le Journal*. "L'Auto" says Perry played very well indeed, but one could not help thinking that he could have played even better had his opponent extended him more."

Le Figaro says Perry confirmed that he is the best player in the world. His technique was excellent, and his physical condition Spanish. He is the complete in a fifteen round boxing game.

ENGLAND MEET HOLLAND IN SOCCER TEST

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Extraordinary Feature

Normally the stadium holds 31,000 people, but it has been extended to accommodate 40,000. An extraordinary feature of the ground is that there is standing room for only 5,000. Thirty-five thousand onlookers will be able to watch the game from seats, and so heavy was the demand for tickets that every seat was sold within 24 hours.

The profiteers have been reaping a rich harvest, and to-night as much as £5 is being offered in vain for £1 tickets.

Mr. S. F. Rous, the secretary of the Football Association, who is over here with the large English party, tells me that before leaving London he was inundated with requests for tickets for the match. More than 5,000 applications for seats were made to the Football Association by English people anxious to be present.

\$13,000 Gate Receipts

I understand that the receipts for the match are likely to reach \$13,000. Of this sum, the Amsterdam authorities take 20 per cent, and the Stadium shareholders 40 per cent. Thus, with the English F. A. getting their biggest guarantee for one Continental match the Royal Netherlands F. A. will not have a rich picking. But for them the duel with England counts for everything.

There is no professional football in Holland, and a Dutchman who has followed the game very closely in England, as well as his own country, assures me that the strength of Holland's team that is to oppose England to-morrow is not much greater than our Third Division.

Holland's Frowns Known

Be that as it may, it will be readily recalled that a few years ago Newcastle United, then at their best, were beaten in Amsterdam by 4-1, and as recently as last Sunday Holland beat Belgium by 2-0.

Most of the players who took part in last Sunday's match have been chosen to meet England. Unlike some Continental countries we have met, the Dutch are not anticipating a victory.

The view to-night is that they will do well to run the Englishmen to a couple of goals.

Under English Rules

The match is to be played under the rules as we know them in England. That is to say, substitutes will not be allowed, but charging the goalkeeper when in possession of the ball is permissible. If the Dutch goalkeeper is charged by an England forward I trust the crowd will not react unfavourably to what will be to them—an unusual spectacle.

I am informed that Holland—who have two chauffeurs and several clerks in their team—will be very much stronger in defence than in attack. They are coached by Glendinning, the old Barnsley half-back, who tells me that the most dangerous forward on the side is Bakhuys, the leader of the line. Bakhuys, who has taken 12 international caps, is an insurance agent by profession.

Midget Of Team

Wells, the outside-right, who is cafe proprietor, is the midget of the team. He stands only 5ft 4in. But he has 19 international caps to his credit.

The England team is not the strongest that could have represented us, but it will be a first-class surprise if we are beaten. W. G. Richardson, of West Bromwich Albion, takes the place of Drake, the original choice for centre-forward, and another change in the attack is the substitution of Eastham, of Bolton Wanderers, for Carter at inside-right.

England: Ellis, Hale, Harwood, Gardner, Barker, Burrows, Worral, Eastham, W. G. Richardson, Westwood, Boyce.

Holland: L. Halle, A. Caldenhove, J. Van Run, S. J. Pauwe, W. G. Andersen, G. H. Van Reel, P. Wells, D. Drok, E. H. Bakhuys, J. C. Bakhuys.

MARCEL THIJS WIN OVER SPANARD

Marcel Thijs, France, world middle-weight champion, beat the Spaniard, Ignacio Carras, of Madrid, in a fifteen round boxing game.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Monday, July 1, 1935.

The Child And The Film

Juvenile delinquents of the present generation have at their disposal an excuse which their nineteenth century predecessors might well envy. "Please, sir, I saw it on the films." This revelation of the origins of wrongdoing has moved many an elderly magistrate to denounce the cinemas as harbingers of evil. Scoundrels, are, however, on the increase, and the magistrate who takes his own children to the picture-house when he is off the Bench is not likely to accept so automatic and simple an explanation of youthful wickedness. It is refreshing, therefore, to read that the Home Office representative on the League of Nations Child Welfare Committee has produced a report on investigations conducted among eleven nations, recording the view that the cinema is upon the whole a force for social good rather than a social disaster.

The League's Child Welfare Committee and its Home Office attaché impugn the cinema at a more vulnerable point. It is not so much that too many films had for children are produced as that insufficient films are produced which children could enjoy. But it is agreed that the remedy of this deficiency presents economic difficulties. Children form a numerically small class among film-goers, and they are necessarily not the class which can afford the most expensive seats. Yet in the days of the silent films, "Wild West" pictures and such spectacles as Douglas Fairbanks' "Robin Hood" delighted children and adults alike without apparently bankrupting either their producers or the exhibitors who showed them. Both in London and in the provinces certain cinemas have made it known that on one day a week, or for a few holiday weeks in the year, they will cater specially for younger audiences than their wont. Surely it would be possible to arrange something similar here from time to time.

The Artist's Vision

At its recent banquet the Royal Academy discovered a critic of modern art in the former Foreign Secretary. Sir John Simon may not have pressed his thumbs deep, but he had the daring to challenge some of the tendencies of the newer painters and to speculate, as others have done, whether if every artist paints what he

sees there is not in certain instances something amiss with eyesight. That is not a surprising question from one who adopts the saying of Leonardo that "the most praiseworthy painting is that which has most conformity to the thing represented"—a doctrine that successive schools of the moderns have defied in the belief that great art must always be something more than representational. In discussing the value of art in international relations, Sir John evinced a desire to have permanent collections of British paintings in British Embassies abroad. It is a fascinating suggestion, but if the pictures are to be those of our own day, diplomats will discover that they have been thrust into a world in which differences of view may be as embittered as in the sphere with which they are more familiar.

The Duke of York chose safer ground in claiming that art should be given a fuller place in our daily life and should be utilised in rescuing our big cities from ugliness and saving the countryside from defacement. These are directions in which public opinion is now moving strongly, as is plain from the revolt against ribbon development and the greater regard for mass in the new architecture of our cities. Past blunders are not to be quickly repaired where building is concerned, and in the search for something better mistakes will not be avoided. Yet the recent exhibition of design in manufacture at the Royal Academy showed how, in an age of machine production, beauty can still be given its place. It would be a cause of permanent regret if with the fever for change running high there were repeated that forgetfulness of the sweeter things of life that in an earlier industrial age blighted so much loveliness.

MAN BURIED IN MUD

Only Rescued After
20 Hours

Barriere (British Columbia).
Mr. Thomas Becker, a 25-year-old Canadian, was trapped in a 25-foot-deep well here for 19 hours 40 minutes and then rescued after scenes of great suspense.

Becker was digging a well when part of the wall caved in and he was buried up to the neck in mud. His father-in-law managed to climb down and scrape the mud from Becker's shoulders to free his arms.
Then a score of men set to work to dig a descending trench into the well. It took nearly 20 hours to complete the task.

Here
There
and
Everywhere.

ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET

Sir Ernle Chatfield, the new Admiral of the Fleet, has filled nearly every important post in the Royal Navy. He is a gunnery specialist with a passion for efficiency and a firm belief in big and up-to-date ships. A silent, reserved man, he shuns publicity. His only activity outside the Navy was his captaincy of the Wentworth Golf Club.

He has a great sorrow. His father was an Admiral. His only son was destined for the Navy.

The son passed out of Dartmouth with the highest honours. Last year, as he was carrying his baton on to the Frobisher for his final training course, a joint in his neck, which had been damaged in an accident, went again.

A naval career had to be abandoned.

Sir Ernle was Admiral Beatty's Flag Captain at Heligoland and Jutland. It was to him that Admiral Beatty remarked when the Queen Mary was blown up: "There seems to be something wrong with our ships today. Steer two points nearer to the enemy."

"ST. GEORGE FOR ENGLAND"

His predecessor, Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, made before the Zebrugge raid a signal almost as famous. It flew from the yard-arm of Vindictive under his flag. It read: "St. George for England." The Zebrugge raid was on St. George's Day.

Admiral Keyes's captains flashed back: "Pray God we may give the dragon's tail a damned good twist." They did. Between them they won nine V.C.'s that day.

ELEVEN ADMIRALS

The King and Lord Beatty are the only Admirals of the Fleet who are permanent in this rank. They were promoted before the five-year rule became operative.

In addition to the King, Admirals of the Fleet are four. Until Lord Beatty retires there are, therefore, only three vacancies every five years.

There are eleven full Admirals in the Navy. Admiral Chatfield's promotion makes them all "go up one" on the list.

Five of them are "unemployed." One is Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller, who now heads the list. Another is the Prince of Wales. Recently he became "number nine."

Your Daily Smile!

"What do you think of those new taxes?"
"They are the work of an amateur politician."

"Well, we certainly have something to be thankful for that he wasn't a professional!"

Hardly the Occasion
The storm was increasing in violence, and some of the deck fittings had already been swept overboard when the captain decided to send up a signal of distress. But hardly had the rocket burst over the ship when a solemn-faced passenger stepped to the bridge.

"Captain," he said, "I'd be the last man on earth to cast a damper on anyone, but it seems to me that this is no time for letting off fireworks."

"I took up this game," the hopless novice said apologetically to his caddy, "merely to practise self-control."

"You ought to have gone in for caddyng, sir."

Aha!

A man complained to the local postmaster because of the failure to deliver a letter improperly addressed. "Now, suppose," he continued, "I addressed a letter to the 'Biggest Dumbbell in Christendom,' what would you do toward delivering it?"
"I should simply mark it 'Return to Sender,'" coolly replied the postmaster.

CHAPERONES BY TELEPHONE

Budapest.
A strong man to accompany your wife or daughter to parties or shops can now be hired by the hour because of the enterprise of a retired Budapest police officer. You have only to telephone if you are busy in the evening, and a muscular escort will call for escort your wife to the theatre.

BIBLICAL HISTORY RECOVERED

HEBREW INSCRIPTIONS DECIPHERED

REWARDS OF ARCHEOLOGICAL RESEARCH

(By C. B. Mortlock)

SINCE the publication in England of translations of several of the unique Hebrew inscriptions found by Mr. J. L. Starker at Tell-el-Duweir, I have visited the site of the excavation. The first view of the great mound as I saw it in the brilliant light of the Palestinian moon was extraordinarily impressive.

It stands over 100 ft. above the surrounding levels, and one's first thought is of wonderment that it has remained so long undisturbed. No doubt its inaccessibility has preserved the mound intact. Had it been excavated in days of less precise archaeological method, it is by no means unlikely that the fragments of pottery, with their faint writing in cursive Hebrew characters, would have escaped observation.

Biblical City

Potsherds are the commonest finds of the archaeologist. They provide an invaluable means of dating stratifications of human occupation, and are turned up in hundreds of thousands. Whether inscribed fragments have been dug up in Palestine in times past and discarded unrecognised can never be known.

Those on which interest is now concentrated at Tell-el-Duweir are 17 in number, and it is no exaggeration to say that they are the most valuable documents which have yet rewarded the patient researches of Biblical archaeologists.

Mr. Starker, who is in charge of the Wellcome Archaeological Research Expedition to the Near East, has just completed his third season's work on the site. He told me that he reckons it will take 100 years to complete the scientific excavation of what he is now confident may be identified with the ancient Biblical city of Lachish.

The site is some 25 miles south-west of Jerusalem, and Lachish was a western frontier fort of the Judean kingdom. Its period of greatest expansion and activity was during the third millennium B.C. On the top of the mound were found the remains of Persian occupation, with evidences of a magnificent Residency, which was equipped with pipe sanitation not greatly different in principle from that to which we are accustomed today.

A Great Urgency

It was in the levels of the previous period of occupation, that of the Judean kingdom, that the present momentous finds were made. At first the letters were thought to be copies of outgoing letters, written no doubt on papyrus; but certain circumstances, including the fact that several of the fragments are pieces of a single portion of pottery, point to the probability that they are, in fact, incoming letters written in the stress of great urgency.

What we may now call the Lachish Letters were found in the remains of a guard-room within the bastion, and adjoining the city wall of the late Judean period. The fact of its having been destroyed by fire accounts for the preservation of the writing in ink on the shards. It has long been the dream of Palestinian archaeologists to discover inscriptions in documentary form, but unlike the dry soil of Egypt, which as yielded so much of the sort, that of Palestine is damp, and all papyrus has perished.

The burnt roof of the guard room evidently collapsed on to the hard dry floor, and that accident has thus preserved for some 2,500 years documents which not only take us back to the days of the Old Testament, but seem to I shall show later to provide some of the actual day to day material which is summarised by Jeremiah in parts of his historical writings.

It is known that Jerusalem fell before the onslaughts of Nebuchadnezzar's army in 588-586 B.C. in the reign of Zedekiah. It had been assumed that Lachish fell at the same period, but the internal evidence of the Lachish Letters points to the city having been subjugated some ten years earlier in 597-596 B.C. at the reign of Jehoiachin.

Translations of three of the letters, those numbered I, II, and IV, have already been published, and it will be recalled that in one of them there were references to military signals which correspond with a statement in Jeremiah. The fact that they were all found in the guard-room, and the nature of their contents, suggests that they were addressed, not to the governor of the city, as was at first supposed, but to the captain of the guard.

Reading The Script

The work of decipherment has been a task of great difficulty, owing to the writing being overlaid with the incrustations of centuries, and also to the fact that, with one exception, the writing was on the burnished side of the pottery. The ink had thus not been absorbed by the porous material.

It is due to the patience and erudition of Dr. E. Torczyner, of the Hebrew University at Jerusalem, that the writing has been read and translated. In that work he was assisted by Mr. Gerald Harding, a member of the Wellcome Expedition, whose sharp eyes proved of even greater service than infra-red photography. The writing will shortly be scrutinised afresh in London with every aid that scientific photography can give.

Letter III, a translation of which I am able to give herewith, is written on both sides of a shard, or fragment of ancient pottery, and at first was thought to be two separate letters. From it Dr. Torczyner was able to gain definite proof of the date of the correspondence, all of which probably belongs to a few days before the fall of the city in 597 B.C. There are still it will be seen, a few points missing which at present prevent a complete translation. On the other hand, in Letter VI and fragment XVI there is evidence that the matters dealt with are the same as those in Letter III. The one cannot, therefore, be discussed without reference to the others.

These three letters open up facts which are as fascinating as they are important, for one must bear in mind that the earliest known version of any of the Old Testament writings is no earlier in date than the 9th century A.D. Dr. Torczyner described to me the exciting course of his investigation of the writings, as piece by piece he was able to build up from the letters a living picture of the days when Jeremiah was alive. The essential points as they emerged under his scrutiny have all the thrill of a detective story.

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"Cake of soap, lady?"
"I don't need any, thank you."
"We eat even on Sundays?"

THRILLING RACE FOR HOME RUN HONOURS IN U.S.

Melvin Ott Ties With Leaders

GIANTS RECORD "DOUBLE"

New York To-day. A thrilling struggle for honours in the National Baseball League home run parade is taking place between Wally Berger (Boston), Dolph Camilli (Philadelphia), Melvin Ott (New York), and Poe Collins (St. Louis).

Yesterday Berger hit his 16th homer of the season to give Boston victory over Philadelphia and to tie with Camilli in the race for the title, while at the Polo Field Melvin Ott made his 15th and 16th circuit clouts to tie with the leaders and give the Giants the "double" over Brooklyn. Collins has hit 15 homers this season.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were as follows:

National League		
	R	H. E.
New York	7	17 2
Melvin Ott hit a homer.		
Brooklyn	4	9 2
Cuccinello hit a homer.		
Philadelphia	3	12 3
Allen hit a homer.		
Boston	9	15 1
Wally Berger hit a homer.		
Philadelphia	15	23 2
Watkins, Vergez and Chozar hit homers.		
Boston	5	13 1
Pittsburgh	9	17 1
Chicago	7	9 1
St. Louis	2	4 1
Joe Medwick hit a homer.		
Cincinnati	5	12 0
American League		
Chicago	2	6 1
Dykes hit a homer.		
Cleveland	3	8 0
Chicago	8	14 3
Zeke Bonura hit a homer.		
Cleveland	0	7 2
Kennedy pitched.		
Washington	8	13 6
New York	7	18 2
Hoag and Rolfe hit homers.		
Detroit	18	19 0
Fox hit a homer.		
St. Louis	1	7 2
Detroit	11	19 1
Fox hit a homer.		
St. Louis	6	12 1
West hit a homer.		
Boston	9	14 1
R. Ferrell and Werber hit homers.		
Philadelphia	10	16 2
Moses hit a homer.		

POLICE RESERVE

Orders For The Current Week

Order by Mr. D. Burlingham, Inspector General of Police.

Chinese Company Training Course—Part II. All recruits of the Chinese Company who have not yet passed Part II of Training Course will attend at the Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, July 2 at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Harbour Patrol. An examination in Harbour Patrol Regulations and Duties will be held on Wednesday, July 3, 1935 at 17.15 hours at the Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station.

Indian Company

1st Aid Classes. All members taking this Course will report at the Police Headquarters Gymnasium on Tuesday, and Thursday, July 2 and 4 at 18.30 hours for instruction.

Training Course—Part III. Instructions in Handling of Revolver will be given on Wednesday, July 3 at 17.30 hours at the Police Headquarters Gymnasium. Only those detailed will attend.

Training Course—Part II. All recruits of the Indian Company will attend 3, Cliff Road, Kowloon on Thursday, July 4 at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Revolver Instructions. Instructions in Handling of Revolver will be given on Friday, July 5 at 17.30 hours at the No. 2 Police Station. All members should attend.

D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R)

Hong Kong, Monday, July 1, 1935



A ball game in there? The old knothole in the baseball park fence was never like this. Viewers are pictured peering through chinks in the fence enclosing Zoro Garden at San Diego Fair, where a nudist colony flourishes. To see the nudist exhibit—if you can't find a knothole—costs two bits.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The prize distribution of St. Stephen's College, Stanley, is to take place at 5 p.m. on Thursday, when His Excellency Sir Thomas Southern will officiate.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan left Yokohama on Saturday and is due here next Friday. She will leave the same day for Manila.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia, which arrived in Shanghai yesterday, is due at Yokohama next Saturday.

According to a recent London report, the engagement is announced, and the marriage will shortly take place in Hong Kong, between Captain E. C. Boyd Shannon, I.A.S.C., elder son of Major and Mrs. Boyd Shannon, and Edith, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hetherington, of Oakleigh Park, Middlesex.

It is reported that, owing to numerous requests made by their customers, Messrs. Yee Sang Fat Company, Limited, are now extending their great sale for another fortnight to enable their customers to take advantage of the offer of free tickets for the King's Theatre. These tickets will be issued only to those customers who make purchases to the value of \$5 or more.

ABYSSINIA'S CRY FOR ARMS

(Continued from Page 1.) The Emperor added indignantly: "Is there one law for the weak and another for the strong? Shall the weak be kept weak in order that they may be annihilated by the strong?"

"While Italy is a culturally highly developed country working day and night to provide her troops with modern weapons and war machines, Abyssinia is a pastoral peasant country that can do nothing except buy a few rifles and guns abroad in order that her soldiers shall not have to face a foe with nothing but swords and spears."

"If Abyssinian right and a civilised world are not in a position to prevent war, then at least Abyssinia must not be deprived of the possibility of defending herself."—Trans-Ocean Service.

POSSIBILITIES OF MOBILISATION

(Continued From Column 1) mobilise eight to nine hundred thousand without difficulty. Abyssinians will fight with the same traditional courage that won for our warriors the distinction of being compared with lions. We shall, if need be, fight to the last man."

The *Matin* correspondent later had a conversation with the Emperor, who declared emphatically: "If Italy hopes to obtain a mandate over Abyssinia then she is mistaken. Even if Abyssinia one day should come under mandate rule, then it would not be Italy that would take over this mandate."—Trans-Ocean Service.

HANS STUCK AGAIN WINS

Thrilling German Car Race

AUTO-UNION TRIUMPH

Kochel To-day. The first great mountain motor-car race of the year and the oldest in the world, known as the "Tenth Information Alkessel Mountain Race," took place here yesterday.

Popular expectations were again fulfilled when the ever popular Hans Stuck, who put up last year's record of 3 mins. 4 secs. for the 5-kilometre mountain course at an average speed of 80.40 k.p.h., and whose victory yesterday was universally considered certain, won.

Among the chief competitors was the Spanish driver Zamelli, in a Nacional Poscara fitted with a completely new motor. Hans Stuck, however, carried off the honours in an Auto-Union which this time proved the best of all vehicles competing, covering the distance in 3 mins. 44.3-10 secs. and averaging 80.14 k.p.h. Another Auto-Union came second, giving them a great victory, while the third place was taken by Tony Banhofer, on a D.K.W. Arthur Geis, also on a D.K.W., of 250 cubic centimetres, came fourth after establishing a new record in all classes by covering the distance in 3 mins. 49.4-10 secs., averaging 78.30 k.p.m.

Besides these, numerous other records were established in one of the most memorable days in the history of German motor-racing.

INDIAN NOTABLE HONOURED

Mr. Pohoomull Feted At Hotel

A tea-party was given by the committee and members of the Hindu Association in Hong Kong at the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday in honour of Mr. Naraindas Pohoomull, the well-known Indian business man, and his wife, who arrived in the Colony last week.

Mr. K. B. Vaidya, the President of the Association, in a speech welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Pohoomull, mentioned the philanthropic work of the honoured guest in India and said also that he had taken a great interest in the sufferers of the Quetta disaster and had even placed one of his country seats at their disposal for use as a hospital.

Mr. Vaidya presented Mr. Pohoomull with a silver cigarette casket.

Munich To-day.—The attendance of Reichsfuehrer Hitler lent special significance to the closing session here on Saturday of the congress of the Academy for German Law, which, in the words of the Bavarian Premier Dr. Seitz, who was also present, evidences the intellectual activity of the National Socialist movement.

The Minister without Portfolio, Herr Frank, pointed out the great transformations which had been wrought about in the German law by the National Socialist revolution. The law had become

To-day's Short Story

SENSITIVE LADY

By K. D. Blain

ENTERING the library and switching on the light, she uttered a sharp "Oh!" and stared. A man, with a torch in his hand, was standing by the step-ladder. Some way above his head was the spot where the safe was hidden by a dummy block of books.

Two minutes ago she had been lying asleep in bed, worrying about Mrs. Lovelake's "catty" remark at tea that afternoon. This woman had implied, quite unreasonably, that Ruth wasn't attractive. Such a stupid thing to take to heart, and Ruth knew she was an idiot, but she couldn't help it.

Lying there with her thoughts nagging her, she had suddenly decided to go to her husband, who she knew would sympathise with her, call her silly, declare she was

the most attractive woman in the world and make a general fuss of her. She had left her bed and put on her slippers.

About to cross the landing, she had suddenly realised that she was still wearing her rings. It did not matter much, she had thought, but she had better take them off, so she had turned back again towards her room. But on that instant there had come from some part of the house below a tiny scraping noise.

Knowing that she would worry herself to death about it if she did not find out what it was, she had descended the stairs. The cause of the scraping noise, whom she now beheld, was short and slightly built, dressed in a loose khaki shirt, flannel trousers and worn suede shoes. His neck was long and slim, the head above it exceedingly triangular and the whole surmounted by a great mop of blonde hair. So curious was his appearance that Ruth regarded him as a phenomenon rather than as a burglar. Really, she thought, it was absurd to be afraid of an intruder with a flaxen mop like that. The man looked more like a nature fanatic or a rustic poet.

GOEBBELS' OUTBURST

(Continued from Page 1)

SKULKING ORGANISATION. Dr. Goebbels then directed an attack against organisations which seemed to believe that their own existence made the National Socialist organisations superfluous, stating that it was high time that they faded away, since they were harmful. Under cover an arm-chair politician's internationalism was skulking, but the authorities only pretended not to notice them in order to lure them from their hiding places.

Turning to the economic situation, Dr. Goebbels stated that no alterations had been made in the wage level, but a firm price level was also in that case essential. It was the Government's desire to raise the standard of living of workers, but in order to do that the unity of the entire nation was necessary. In this connection the speaker strongly criticised the clergy, whom he warned to make haste with their organisation, or the State would have to help.

NEW SYMBOLS OF NATION. "Soldiers' weapons and labour service spades are the symbol of the newly arisen German nation," continued the Minister, referring to the compulsory military and labour service, adding that even with the best intentions it was not possible to live in peace if one's neighbour would not let one.

It was a childish illusion to believe that Germany would ever turn back again from the goal of regaining German sovereignty. The world only respected States which counted for something, and England had signed the naval agreement in the conviction that Germany was again a sovereign great power.

The internal reconstruction was being carried out under the protection of German rifles, stated Dr. Goebbels, adding that there was not a menace or a provocation, but meant that Germany did not intend to be provoked or menaced by others.—Trans-Ocean Service.

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Hitler Present At German Law Congress Session

a matter for a national community instead of a mere abstraction, and the new conception of law was based on five fundamental points: soil, race, State, honour, and work.

"To-day's authoritarian State," declared the speaker, "combines authority with liberty and the conception of honour, whether of the nation or the individual." Honour had become one of the most essential parts of the new National Socialist laws, and for the first time the conception of "love for the leader" had become a legal conception.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Ruth Stephenson. "Ruth will do. Now Ruth, please listen to me. You think I'm not right in the head, don't you? Well, I'm no more a madman than I am a thief."

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WIDOW'S THEFTS OF JEWELLERY**Sad Story Told At Police Court****QUESTION OF MARRIAGE WITH OFFICER**

What counsel described as the story of a widow's fight against misfortune was told at the Old Bailey, London, last month, when Agnes Esther Ackland, 42, described as a widow, of Earl's Colne, Essex, was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment in the second division for thefts from well-known London jewellers, of jewellery valued at nearly £1,000.

Mr. J. F. Eastwood, M.P., defending, said that after her husband's death in the war Mrs. Ackland had fallen in love with an officer she had nursed. She had lived with him and a child was born. When the question of marriage arose she found that he was already married.

She nursed him for years, and through looking after him and her child and her parents she got into difficulties and became bankrupt. The officer died last year.

TRAGEDY OF BROKEN FRIENDSHIP**London Girl Commits Suicide**

On the morning after she received a letter from her sweet-heart ending their friendship, Miss Edith Clara Collins, aged 25, a machinist, was found by her father dead from coal gas poisoning at their home at Maygrove-road, Hampstead, London, last month.

At the inquest at St. Pancras later a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind was recorded.

The girl's mother said her daughter received the letter when she returned from business. She showed no signs of distress at the time.

INQUEST ON CHIEF CLERK**Sad Suicide Case In London**

A verdict of Suicide while Temporarily of Unsound Mind was returned at the inquest recently on Mr. Frederick James Jeffrey, aged 45, chief clerk of the Kensington Borough Council.

He was found dead at his house at Park-drive, Gungersbury Park, near a gas-ring.

Mr. R. Kemp, the coroner, said that Mr. Jeffrey seemed to have been overworked and lost his energy.

Mr. E. P. Evans, deputy Town Clerk of Kensington, said that Mr. Jeffrey entered the service of the Kensington Council as a junior 30 years ago, and rose to be head of his department.

SENSITIVE LADY

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She was surprised at the unpleasant shock his words gave her. "Why did you do that?"

"I tore it up because although it was the expression of yourself, I didn't want mere words. I wanted you. I was in love, you see. I had thought my poetry the only thing in life which mattered. It was wrong. Poetry is merely the expression of things; it is the things themselves which really matter. I love you, Ruth, and I had to tell you."

She stood silent, looking at him. "Queer little man with a yellow mop—but his eyes were sane."

"You see," he went on, with a pathetic motion of his arm, "you are well-to-do folk, and I am something of a vagabond. Had I tried to get to you in the ordinary way, I could never have passed your servants. I was afraid to write because you would have laughed at my letter and shown it to your husband and your friends. And since the day I wrote the poem I haven't seen you on the Foxbourne path. But I had to tell you."

Ruth wondered. This strange little man had seen her for a moment in a field—and he loved her! This hardly bore out what Mrs. Lovelake had said. She was ashamed of herself for thinking of Mrs. Lovelake at such a moment, but she could not help it. This man, a poet, loved her! Then she suddenly felt she would like to sit down and cry. "It was so comical—ly pitiful."

But she must get rid of him. Her heart ached for poor Bolder, but he had to go. If Dick came to know of it he might throw the little fellow out. She did not want Dick to be upset, and she did not want him to hurt Bolder. "I can't do anything about it," she said gently, "you must know that. Please go now."

He bowed, and his long hair fell over his nose like streamers. He bore incredible resemblance to an animated doll. "Ruth," he said, "I was without hope. I just had to tell you. Yes, now I will go."

"Is there anything I can do for you?" she said.

SILENT APPLAUSE AT B.B.C.**New Plan Being Considered****AMERICAN METHODS TO BE STUDIED**

After years of argument the B.B.C. have decided to experiment anew with the "studio audience" problem. John Watt, the producer, is off to America, and one of his duties will be to examine and report on the method adopted in the "net-work" studios to deal with this.

Some time ago the B.B.C. recanted its belief in the psychological value of audience applause and broadcast "Jubilee Gala" after the studio audience had been warned not to applaud the artists.

While the B.B.C. expressed pleasure at the listening-effect, several of the artists complained that it was most demoralising to perform in front of a non-applauding audience.

Class Screen In Studio

The latest proposal is to erect a huge plate-glass screen between the stage and the auditorium in Studio B-A in Broadcasting House. This will sound-insulate the artists so that the audience will only hear them through a loud-speaker in the auditorium, and their applause will be seen by them or the microphone.

This method also "speeds-up" a performance, because the time occupied by the unheard applause will be utilised by the announcement of the following item.

Another Method

Another method employed in American studios, and on which John Watt will report, is to sound-insulate the conductor of a musical broadcast. This was invented by Stokowski, the famous conductor, who regularly broadcast.

He conducted from a glass-enclosed cabin, wearing headphones so that he is able to hear his listeners' hear, and adjust "balance" to suit the transmitter.

John Watt will be followed to New York by Charles Brewer, another B.B.C. producer.

Bolder regarded her silently for a while. Then he said: "There is one thing. Let me kiss your hand under the stars."

Ruth hesitated. But surely there was nothing wrong in that. There was no point in refusing so harmless a request. She therefore nodded, and beckoning him, left the room. He followed her.

Ruth was not prepared to jump out under the stars by the window through which Bolder had entered, for its sill was some seven feet above the ground. She led him to the outer hall door, and knelt to the bolts. But suddenly the man said: "What's that?"—and the landing light at the top of the house went on.

"Oh, dear," she whispered, "that's Dick; he's heard us!" Bolder gripped her arm. "Don't worry," he said, with decision. "Leave it to me; I'll explain everything to him."

Ruth was horrified. "No, no," she said, "he'll think I let you in; he'll think there's something between us; he might think anything if you told him that. You must tell him you were starving and broke in for some food. I'll see he doesn't charge you."

"But he'll think I was after the safe as you did," protested Bolder. "I tell you he's madly jealous," lied Ruth in desperation, "and he'll kill you, and me as well, perhaps."

"Oh, all right," said Bolder sulkily. "I'll be a pantry-robber."

Even as Ruth sighed her relief the light in the hall clicked on and Dick Stephenson, in his dressing-gown and grasping a golf-club, came frowning and blinking towards them.

"Hello, Ruth," he said, astonished, "what the devil's the matter down here?" He stared at Bolder, who had now fashioned his features into an expression of benignant simplicity. "Who in heaven's name is this?" he demanded.

"There's nothing wrong, dear," said Ruth, frowning him. "It's only a poor man I found in the library."

"You what?"

"He was starving, you see, and broke in to get something to eat. I heard him and came down."

"My word," said Stephenson. "I've walked ten miles to-night looking for houses I could break into," growled Bolder suddenly. "When you're crazed with hunger you'll do anything. This is the first house I've been able to enter; but I was too tired to be careful; I made myself heard. This lady has been very kind. She has given me biscuits and says she will now let me go."

"Oh," said Stephenson. The incredulity left his eyes. Ruth looked at Bolder as curiously as her husband did; the man had changed himself so astonishingly. For all his rustic-poet exterior he now had the true air of being embittered, as if he had lately hungered, and was resentful of callous treatment from a man more fortunate than himself.

"Well," said Stephenson, his natural kindness taking place of suspicion, "biscuits aren't much to fill up on. Sure you wouldn't like a ham sandwich or something?"

"I am satisfied, thank you," murmured Bolder. "The lady was very kind. Now I'll go, if you'll allow me."

Dick opened the door for him. "Sorry you're down on your luck," he said, then he caught the man's arm. "Stay here a moment and I'll see if I can't find a shilling or two for you." He brushed past his wife back into the hall and so up the stairs to his room.

When he had disappeared Bolder seized Ruth by her hands. "Quickly," he whispered, "come out under the stars. That kiss!"

"No!" she gasped, resisting. "He'll see us; he's only gone for a second."

Bolder stood holding her hands in the dimness of the porch for an instant. Then he abruptly released her. "Very well," he said, "you're quite right." And clenching his fists, he shoved them both into his trousers pockets.

"Here you are," said Dick, rejoining them, "there's a small town—Foxbourne—a couple of miles up the road; perhaps this'll help you get a bed and a meal there." He gave the man a ten-shilling note.

Bolder took it gratefully bowed to Ruth, then turned and without a word descended the steps to the drive.

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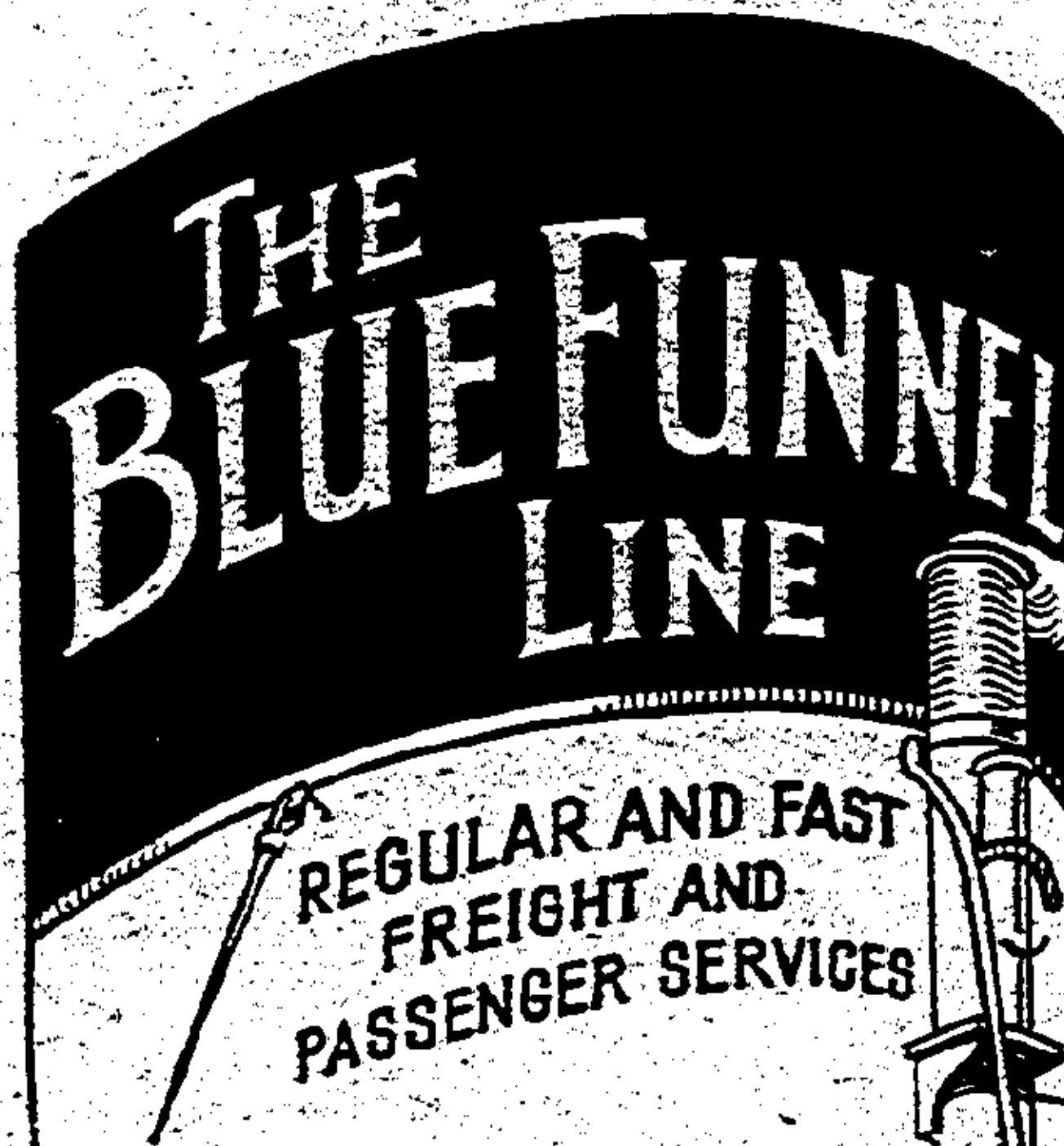
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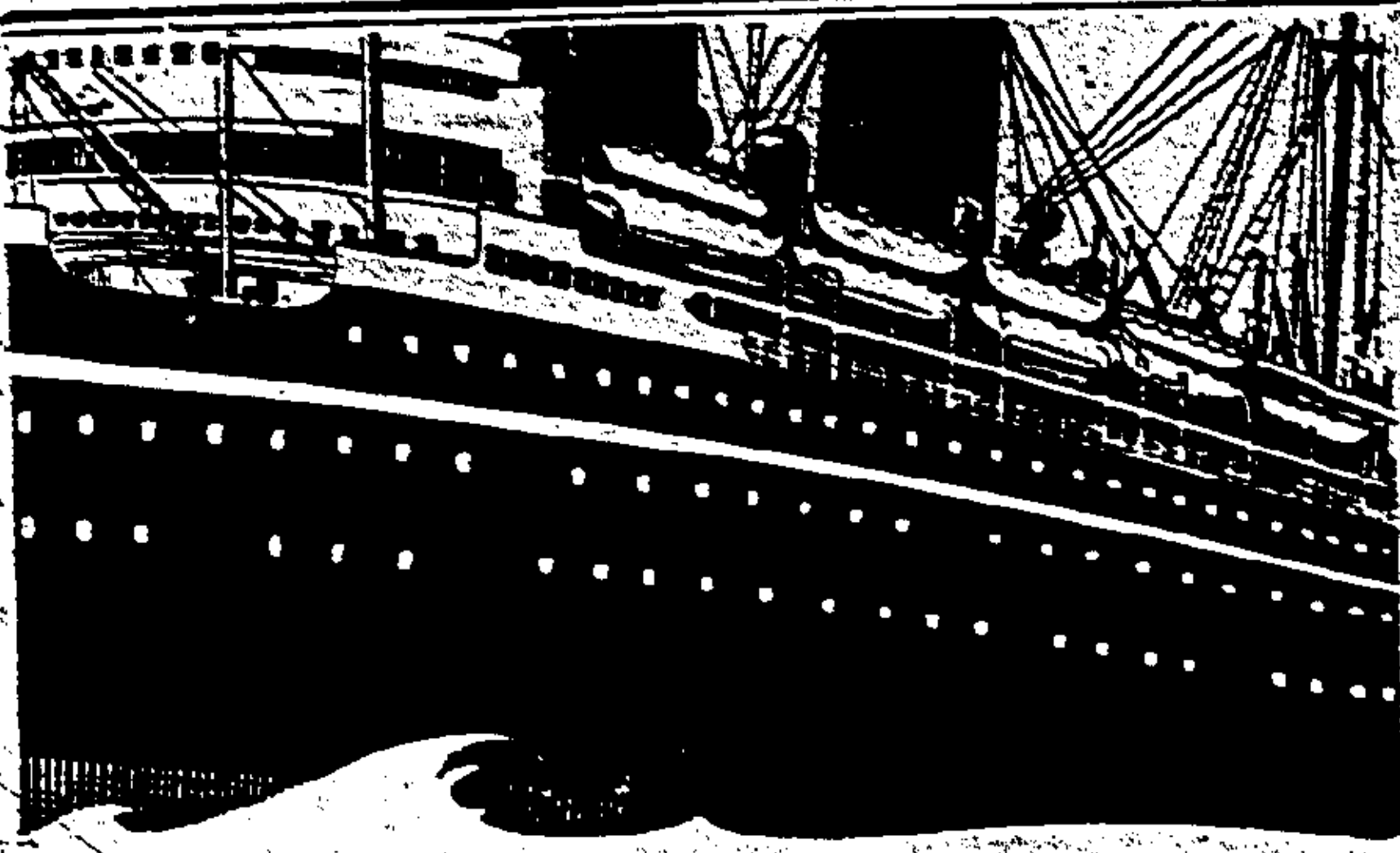
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SEAMEN WHO READ THE KORAN

As the steamer Usworth was fighting to keep afloat in the North Atlantic about December 13 last year, eight Afghan firemen were ordered by the Captain to go below and trim the cargo.

Six obeyed, but two insisted on reading the Koran.

So the Captain put them in the coal bunkers and, as he expressed it, "told them to get on with it."

This was one of the stories told recently when the public enquiry into the loss of the Usworth was continued by Lord Merrivale, the Wrecks Commissioner, at the Institution of Civil Engineers. The enquiry was the first of a series into the loss of four steamers.

17 Drowned

The Usworth, a Newcastle steamer of 3,525 tons, foundered in the North Atlantic on December 14 last. Fifteen of her crew and two of the crew of a Belgian ship, Jean Jadot, which was engaged in rescue work, were drowned.

In reply to Mr. E. Aylmer Digby, K.C., who appeared with Mr. Vere Hunt for the Transport and General Workers' Union and the National Union of Seamen, Captain Reid, of North Shields, said that during the erection of the jury steering gear one apprentice was injured in the leg when the sea came over.

Mr. Digby: You have paid a high tribute to the behaviour of the crew.

"I cannot speak too highly of the way they conducted themselves," said Captain Reid.

Mr. Digby: Your reason in sending two men forward to No. 2 hatch was not so much to repair it as to cover it up? Were you afraid of a panic?—Well, if the men had seen exactly what had happened they might have lost their heads.

As a matter of fact, the crew worked very well right up to the end?—They did.

Sleep Opportunity

Mr. R. F. Hayward, for several officers' and engineers' protection societies, asked: What opportunity had you for sleep after the first damage at three a.m. on December 12?—None whatever.

And your officers?—None whatever.

Captain Reid said that some of the crew had a brief rest on the evening of December 11. The vessel was abandoned at 2 p.m. on December 14.

Mr. Hayward: Had your crew become exhausted?—Yes, sir.

Before the end?—Pretty well. They kept it up somehow or other, but I do not know where they got the stamina to do it.

Here Lord Merrivale remarked: "They were fighting for their lives, and they knew it."

"Yes, my lord," replied Captain Reid.

Wireless messages were read by Mr. Hayward which Captain Reid said that he had sent. Among the messages were: "Can you send lifeboat? Our men practically all in. Been up three days;" and "Please try to man boats. Impossible to fling any more lines as coil washed away and crew played out."

DEATH FROM A MANGO!

Argument Followed By Fatal Fight

Calcutta. A single mango, worth less than a farthing, caused the death in Noakhali (Bengal), of a Muslim and the removal to hospital of his brother with serious injuries.

The trouble started when the mango dropped from a tree in front of a group of local residents. An argument arose as to the ownership of the tree. A fight took place. One man received fatal injuries, his brother is in a critical condition.

COFFEE FOR CRICKETERS

The weather was so cold at the Oval one day last month that hot coffee was brought out to the players the first time. It is said that such an incident has occurred there.

SENSITIVE LADY

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As Stephenson went upstairs with his wife he said to her suddenly: "What did you go out into the porch with him for?"

The question took her by surprise. "What?" she said. "Oh, he wanted to kiss my hand under the stars."

They halted together on the stairs. "Good God, what for?"

"Because I was kind to him. I suppose," said Ruth, going red.

"But why under the stars?"

"Because he was a poet of course."

Dick regarded her. "Now look here, Ruth," he said. "It isn't often you leave me out of things. What was it really all about?"

Feeling small, awkward, and not a little ridiculous, Ruth had the sense to relate exactly what had occurred.

He listened to her gravely. "Why try to kid me?" he said when she had finished.

"I didn't know what you would think dear."

"Fat-head," he grunted. "Come on, let's get to bed." Then he noticed that she was staring at his hands. "Well," he said, "what's the matter now? Did he bite you when he kissed them?"

Ruth looked up. "He didn't kiss them," she said. She went on in a low voice: "I'm afraid it was the safe he was trying to get at after all. What a fool I was to listen to him! I suppose you can believe anything when it's flattering."

She held out her hands. "When I came downstairs," she said, "I was wearing three rings. Now there is only one."

"Oh," said Dick. "That was why he wanted to kiss my hands under the stars—so he could work off my rings in the darkness. And he did it while he held my hands in the porch." She attempted a smile. "Oh well," she said, "I suppose I deserve it for being such a fool."

Stephenson pondered. "Smart little fellow," he said. "He tricked you, then made you help him trick me." Seeing distress in her eyes, he put his arm round her and coaxed her up to her room. "You get back to bed," he said, "while I slip down to the library and look up that window for fear he has the cheek to make another attempt on the safe."

And he ran down again to the hall; but instead of entering the library he went round to the back of the house where a servant kept a bicycle. Soon he was at his front gate with the machine beneath him.

He was angry. Only yesterday Ruth had been hurt by something the Mrs. Lovelace creature had said, and now this! One couldn't help admiring the little yellow-haired man's cunning, but that sort of trick on poor silly sensitive Ruth just wasn't good enough; something had to be done about it.

He decided to cycle a mile up the road towards Foxbourne, and if he hadn't come upon Bolder by then to make a general scouring of the neighbourhood. He pedalled off manfully.

Half a mile on the way to Foxbourne he saw Bolder before him. The fellow was strolling unhurriedly along the grass bank on one side of the road, softly and wearily whistling to himself. Stephenson jumped off the cycle and crept silently behind him for a while, regaining his breath.

Suddenly the little man turned round. "I know you are following me," he said calmly. "What do you want?"

Stephenson came up to him. "The rings, if you don't mind," he said shortly.

"I am a poor man," retorted Bolder, "and I have no fortune but my own sweet wit."

Dick grasped his arm. He was powerful and Bolder winced. "Hand over the rings or I'll give you such a thrashing as you never had before in your life."

"Brute force," said Bolder scornfully. Then he shrugged and silently produced his plunder. "It's a shame," he murmured. "They were neatly taken."

The other nodded. "I'll admit that. Now get along, and if I ever see that yellow mop of yours again I'll set it alight. You can keep the ten bob I gave you. Good-night."

"Good-night," said Bolder softly, and returned to his bicycle.

Two days later Ruth found on the breakfast table a tiny parcel.

On it were printed her name and address; the postmark was Foxbourne. Inside, wrapped in notepaper, she discovered her rings. On the notepaper was more print; she read it and passed it to her husband.

He read it aloud. "Dear lady," it said, "I took these rings that I might have some memento of you. Then I realised that they were materially valuable; that you would suppose I had taken them for material ends. Rather than risk your thinking me a thief and a fraud I return them."

It was unsigned, for Dick had been unable to recollect when drafting it whether the man's name had been Bolder or Bowdler.

"Well," he smiled, passing the note back to her, "it seems as if the gentleman did fall for you after all. I shall have to keep my eye on you." He noted with satisfaction the flash of pleasure on her face.

(The End)

PERIL TO AIRMEN

Smoke Cloud Hanging Over London

DANGER TO NAVIGATION IN CROWDED AREAS

The dangers of poor visibility due to smoke pollution of the air were emphasised by Mr. William Courtenay, at the National Smoke Abatement Society's conference held in London to consider the question of smoke and aviation.

"Over London, particularly on days of continuously good weather, one finds a haze hanging about due largely to smoke which has not drifted away, while beyond is perfect visibility of perhaps several miles," he said.

This haze can sometimes be almost impenetrable to the eye, a positive danger to navigation in crowded areas of the sky and the beginner at any rate might quite easily get lost because of it or even come to grief.

"Smoke is the agent responsible for this evil. A smoke pall can be particularly dangerous when many air liners are arriving at or departing from a city aerodrome and when the pilots of incoming and outgoing machines cannot see either very far ahead or any other machines in the vicinity."

"It is going to present municipalities with a problem of traffic control in the air over their cities once the air lines develop sufficiently to require it."

MURDERER ADMITS BEING "KILLER BY NATURE"

Farewell Letter Addressed To Mother

Washington. "I am a killer of man by nature. I have never felt remorse for anything I have done."

So wrote Harrison McKinley Kaiser in the prison at Washington, where he was awaiting the electric chair for murder. A few moments later he hanged himself in his cell.

The murderer's farewell letter was addressed to his mother. Kaiser was convicted for the murder of a Trade Union official during a labour dispute in 1932 and was due to have been executed on June 11.

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Normal Population Of Only Five!

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POSTMAN CHARGED WITH THEFT

Special Test Letter Abstracted

A postman was charged on a summons at the Guildhall, London, recently with stealing a postal packet containing money.

He was Charles Dunn, aged 36, of Beesborough-gardens, Victoria, S.W., a postman employed at the Eastern Central District Office, and he was accused of stealing a postal packet which was in course of transmission, and which contained a banknote for £1. He was further charged with stealing, in December 1933, a letter which contained two postal orders to the value of 25 shillings.

Mr. Plummer, prosecuting, on behalf of the Post Office, said that in consequence of letters being lost special observation was kept on Dunn. A test letter containing a banknote was put for him to sort. He was seen to conceal that in his tunic pocket, said Mr. Plummer.

After formal evidence had been called Dunn was committed to the Old Bailey for trial. Bail was allowed.

COMPLETE FAMILY WIPED OUT

Motor Cycle Tragedy In Essex

A family have been wiped out following a road accident at Gidea Park, Essex, last month.

They were: Henry James Morris, of Bugby-road, Dagenham; his wife, Lilian Morris, aged 28, and their 18-month-old daughter.

Mr. Morris was driving a motor-cycle combination with his wife and daughter as passengers when, in Hare-street, Gidea Park, the combination skidded and came into collision with a motor-coach.

The sidecar was practically cut in two. The child was killed almost immediately, and Mr. Morris died shortly after admission to Oldchurch Hospital.

Mrs. Morris died early the following day.

PROTEST AGAINST GAMES ON SUNDAY

Vicar Heads Deputation To Town Council

Aylesbury (Bucks.) has a Sunday games controversy following a deputation, headed by the Vicar (Canon Howard) to the council, protesting against the use of the town's recreation ground for swimming and sports and as a refreshment centre on Sundays. The council have promised to consider the deputation's protest.

2½LB. BABY BAPTISED

The Pastor of American Church, Rev. C. E. Briggs, was called away from a special service at Aylesbury last month to baptise the baby of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Warner, of Pigotts Orchard, Aylesbury. The child weighed only 2½ lbs. at birth. He was baptised in cotton wool and fed with a fountain pen filler. Later he died.

